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MEMORANDUM

This memorandum is designed to cover both those matters discussed at the hearing in Duchesne, Utah, on March 20, 1958, and those matters since researched as a result of that hearing in order that it may contain the needed reference to all matters involved in the Moon Lake and related projects. The applications are hereafter separately treated.

Application No. 3652. This contemplates 14,000 acre feet for the Moon Lake project. Eight irrigation companies are involved and a survey of their irrigated acreage is a necessity for proof. A change, and even a new, application may be needed after the survey is made. The end of the fifty year period is January 3, 1963. Proof is now due on May 20, 1960.

Application No. 4684. Certificate No. 2010. Clement Lake.

Application No. 6353. Certificate No. 2251.)

Application No. 6355. Certificate No. 2252.)

Application No. 6356. Certificate No. 2253)

Island Lakes.

Application No. 7104. Amended by Change Application No. a-1568 to store 25,000 acre feet of water in Moon Lake, which has a capacity of 35,760 acre feet. The same proof problems exist as were commented upon in connection with Application No. 3652. Proof is now due May 20, 1960.

Application No. 7644. Certificate No. 1863. Farmers Lake.

Application No. 7645. Certificate No. 1864. Water Lily Lake.

Application No. 7781. Withdrawn January 9, 1948.

Application No. 7781-a. Amended by Change Application No. a-1573 for 175 second feet of water from the Duchesne River. The works are all constructed but the proposed Indian exchange agreement is a vital part of the proof to be made hereunder. Proof of construction of works has not been filed. The hearing in Duchesne, Utah, on March 20, 1958, was specifically concerned with the last request for an extension of time under this application. It is now recommended that this request be granted and the time extended to November 15, 1960. The reason for this date is hereinafter made to appear.

Application 7901. Certificate No. 2254. Kidney Lake.

Application 8298. The reservoir at Superior Lake has been constructed. Proof is due August μ , 1960.

Application No. 8299. Tungsten Lake. This has not been built and is in the wilderness area. This application lapsed for failure to submit proof but has been reinstated with its priority brought down to August 8, 1955. Proof is now due on August 4, 1960.

Application No. 8300. Five Point Lake. This has been built but needs enlargement under a new application when the area is restored to appropriation. This application also bears a reduced priority of August 8, 1955, for failure to submit proof, and proof is presently due on August 4, 1960.

Application No. 8315. North Star Lake. This has not been built and is in the wilderness area. This application also lapsed for failure to submit proof but has been reinstated with its priority brought down to August 8, 1955. Proof is now due on August 4, 1960.

Application No. 8386. This application stood in the name of the Moon Lake Water Users Association for 650 acre feet. It lapsed on September 24, 1939, for failure to submit proof.

Application No. 8386-a. Twin Pots Reservoir. Reservoir has been consturcted but use is under the Moon Lake project and the same surveys must be made. Proof is due on September 24, 1960.

Application No. 8532. This is another application for Twin Pots Reservoir and the same surveys are needed. Proof is also due on September 24, 1960.

Application No. 9104. The last affidavit filed seeking an extension of time stated in substance that it is a part of the Midview and Central Utah projects, but that plans for the use of this water had not reached the construction stage. Proof is now due on March 5, 1960.

Application No. 9104-a. This has been amended by Change Application No. a-2522 and calls for storage of 11,570 acre feet of water in Midview Reservoir, which has a capacity of 5700 acre feet. Complete use would require two fillings of the reservoir during a year. The proof to be made is dependent upon the Indian exchange and that proof is now due on March 5, 1959.

Application No. 9628, Certificate No. 1865. Deer Lake.

Application No. 9796. Certificate No. 1866. White Miller Lake

Application No. 9799. Blue Bell Lake and Drift Lake have been built. Spider Lake has not been built and is in the wilderness area. Proof was due on March 15, 1958.

Application No. 13900. East Timothy Lake has been built. West and Middle Timothy Lakes have been built but need repairs. Carol Lakes Nos. 1 and 2 have not been built. Little Gem Lake has not been built and is in the wilderness area. Proof of appropriation under this application is due on February 11, 1960.

Application No. 17978. This is intended for the Upalco Reservoir which has a capacity of 12,300 acre feet. There may be some problem as it is feared that the application calls for only direct flow of 300 second feet from Lake Fork and 30 second feet from Big Sand Wash. A careful study of the application is needed. Proof is now due on November 15, 1960. End of fourteen year period is January 18, 1961, so a request for an extension received before November 15, 1960, should be advertised.

It can now be noted that, of the pending applications, one, namely Application No. 7781-a, has a request for an extension of time to be acted upon and the recommendation is that the extension be granted to November 15, 1960. A request for an extension of time has been received on Application No. 9799. This will now be advertised and a hearing will be scheduled in October, 1958, and, barring now unforeseen conditions, will be the subject of the same recommendation to November 15, 1960; and it is hoped that the same action can be taken on Application No. 9104-a, which has a present proof due date of March 5, 1959.

This will leave eleven other applications, each having proof due date in 1960, commencing with March 5 and extending to November 15 of that year. These eleven, together with the three mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

should then be the subject of a joint hearing and of joint action. If a further extension is needed, it should run only to January 3, 1963, which is the end of the fifty year period on Application No. 3652.

It is to be hoped that proof on all can be sooner submitted; and, to that end, the surveys of the irrigated lands in the Uintah Basin should also be vigorously pushed during the coming summer. This office should also be used to do everything possible to facilitate the working out of the exchange agreement between the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Reclamation.

Copies of this memorandum should be placed on each of the above numbered files and should be placed in the Duchesne River file and the Uintah Basin Adjudication file. Such copies as are needed should be forwarded to the United States Bureau of Reclamation and the Moon Lake Water Users Association.